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DATE:

February 2, 2009

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Salix, LLC Expands-Peanut Butter Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Peanut Butter Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via

phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the State of Indiana. Salix LLC is recalling its Healthy Hide 6" Peanut Butter Filled Shank Bone. The recalled peanut butter-filled shank bone was sold through National Retailers in the U.S. Detail store information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Salix, LLC Recalls 6" Peanut Butter Filled Shank Bone Because Of Possible Salmonella Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- January 30, 2009 -- Salix LLC of Deerfield Beach, FL a manufacturer of rawhide dog chew products, is voluntarily recalling its Healthy Hide 6" Peanut Butter Filled Shank Bone because it contains peanut butter made by Peanut Corporation of America (PCA). PCA is the focus of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration investigation into potential salmonella contamination of peanut butter and paste. This product therefore has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella. While the risk of animals contracting salmonellosis is minimal, there is risk to humans from handling these products. People handling dry pet food and/or treats can become infected with Salmonella, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the chews or any surfaces exposed to these products.

Healthy people infected with *Salmonella* should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping and fever. Rarely, *Salmonella* can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections, endocarditis, arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms. Consumers exhibiting these signs after having contact with this product should contact their healthcare providers.



Pets with *Salmonella* infections may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting. Some pets will have only decreased appetite, fever and abdominal pain. Infected but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed the recalled product and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.

The voluntarily recalled peanut butter-filled shank bone was sold through National Retailers in the U.S.

The product comes in a clear plastic bag with attached header card and the name Healthy Hide is on the front. The package is a 1-count 6" Peanut Butter Filled Shank Bone and the Universal Product Code is 0-91093-33479-0. All packages are marked with one of the following lot codes: **between CP 20081508 and CP 20012209.** This code can be found on the backside of the package.

Salix is not aware of any reported cases of illness related to this or any other products. Customers who purchased the recalled dog treats should discontinue use immediately and can return the product to the retail store where it was purchased for a complete refund or exchange. Customers can contact individual retailers with questions.

No other products or flavors are included in this recall.

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Photo: Product Label

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